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SUMMARY MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE **HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE** OF THE TOWN OF LOS GATOS FOR OCTOBER 8, 2009, HELD IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 110 E MAIN STREET, LOS GATOS, CALIFORNIA.

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 P.M. by Chair Cowan.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Bob Cowan, John Almash and Len Pacheco

Members Absent: Charles Erekson and Phil Micciche

Staff Present: Sandy Baily, Acting Assistant Community Development Director

Pamela Jacobs, Assistant Town Manager Peggy Conaway, Director of Library Services

Suzanne Davis, Assistant Planner

There were no verbal communications from the public.

ITEM 1: Villa Avenue & Fiesta Way

The Committee considered plans to demolish a second unit (56A Villa Avenue), two pre-1941 single-family residences (56 and 104 Villa Avenue) and two additional residences (25 Fiesta Way and 108 Villa Avenue), and to relocate an historic single-family residence (17 Fiesta Way). The Committee reviewed the Historic Resource Evaluation Report for the units prepared by Carey and Company, Inc, and considered staff's comments regarding the hazardous condition of the structures at 56 and 56A Villa Avenue which were determined to be uninhabitable. Pacheco moved to recommend the following to the deciding body:

- 1. The house at 17 Fiesta Way shall not be demolished under any circumstances.
- 2. The house at 17 Fiesta Way should be relocated as close to the immediate area as possible and should be retained as an historic resource.
- 3. The house relocation will be evaluated by the Committee once the new location has been established.
- 4. The other houses are recommended to be demolished based on the findings in the report prepared by Carey and Company, Inc.
- 5. The two mosaics at the foot of the front steps and porch to 56 Villa should be saved and incorporated into the landscape or an appropriate area for the new library.
- 6. Recommend that the history of the site be recognized with a plaque or inclusion in an exhibit with other historic photographs that will be displayed in the new library. The historic information regarding the site shall be taken from the Carey and Company report.

Almash seconded, motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 2: ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 P.M. to the next regular meeting on October 21, 2009.

Prepared by:

Approved by:

Sandy L. Baily, Acting Assistant Community Development Director

Bob Cowan, Chair

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